2003 SPECIAL EVENTS

Following is a small sampling of some of the many programs and special events available in 2003. For the most up-to-date information on special activities being offered, contact the property you plan to visit or ask the gate attendant when you arrive.

January 11, 2003

Patoka Lake Eagle Watch \$5/person fee

January 11, 2003

Brown County State Park Second Annual Winter Hike \$1/person fee

January 26, 2003

McCormick's Creek State Park Family WinterActive Day

February 8, 2003

C.M. Harden Lake (Raccoon) Eagles in Flight \$5/person fee; pre-registration required

February 1-2, 2003 Huntington Lake

Hunter Education Class

February 8-9, 2003

Monroe Lake

Eagle Watch Weekend \$1/person fee

February 15, 2003

Spring Mill State Park **Dulcimer Gathering** Fee event, contact park for details

February 22, 2003

Spring Mill State Park Volunteer Resource Fair

February 22-23, 2003

Mansfield Mill & Turkey Run Inn Maple Syrup Festival

March 1-2, 2003

Mansfield Mill & Turkey Run Inn Maple Syrup Festival

March 21, 2003

Mounds State Park Visitor Center Grand Opening

March 22, 2003

Clifty Falls State Park Bluebird Box Workshop \$10/birdbox, pre-registration required; limited to 15 / 1 box per household

April 5, 2003

Clifty Falls State Park Hoosier KiteFliers Society Birds of Prey Kite Flying

April 5, 2003

Indiana Dunes State Park Friends of Indiana Dunes Native Plant Sale

April 5-6, 2003

Hardy Lake Hunter Education Class

April 5-6, 2003

Spring Mill State Park Antique Tractor Show

April 6, 2003

McCormick's Creek State Park Nature Basket Workshop \$5/person fee; register by April 1

April 13, 2003

Spring Mill State Park Chili Cook-Off

April 12-13, 2003

Mounds State Park Wildflower Weekend

April 19-20, 2003

Turkey Run State Park Wildflower Weekend

April 19, 2003

Clifty Falls State Park Spring Wildflower Day

April 19, 2003

Cecil M. Harden Lake (Raccoon) **Boater Education Class**

April 19, 2003

McCormick's Creek State Park Wildflower Weekend

April 19, 2003

Falls of the Ohio Earth Day Events

April 19, 2003

Tippecanoe River State Park Indiana Race Series (Cycling)

April 19-20, 2003

Mounds State Park Earth Day Celebration

April 20, 2003

Spring Mill State Park Easter Egg Hunt

April 25-27, 2003

Brown County State Park Monroe Lake

Annual Wildflower Foray

April 26, 2003

McCormick's Creek State Park Spring Service Day

April 26, 2003

Patoka Reservoir Arbor Day Spring Fling Lake/ Property Clean-up

April 26, 2003

Ft. Harrison State Park Wildflower Workshop

\$1/person fee April 26, 2003

Spring Mill State Park DNR Field Day / Earth Day/ March for Parks

April 26-27, 2003

Spring Mill State Park Changing Times (1863)

April 26-27, 2003 Mansfield Mill

Mushroom Festival

May 2, 2003

Mounds State Park Flower Dye Printing Workshop \$5/person fee

May 3-4, 2003

Harmonie State Park Harmonie 100 Bicycle Tour

May 10, 2003

Brown County State Park Friends Spring Plant Sale

May 10, 2003

Clifty Falls State Park Big May Day Bird Count

May 10, 2003

Spring Mill State Park Stonebelt Stargazers Starwatching

May 17, 2003

Patoka Reservoir Heritage Day

May 24, 2003

Cecil M. Harden Lake (Raccoon) Mark Nolin performs

May 26, 2003

Spring Mill State Park Pioneer Memorial Service

June 7, 2003

Various properties National Trails Day Activities

June 7, 2003

Various properties Kid's Fishing Derbies

June 7-8, 2003

Mansfield Mill Bluegrass Festival

June 7-8, 2003

Chain O'Lakes State Park Celebration of the Lakes

June 14, 2003

Fort Harrison State Park Kid's Fishing Derby

June, 21, 2003

Spring Mill State Park Living History Village Stroll

June 21, 2003

Falls of the Ohio Annual Ohio River Sweep

June 20-21, 2003 Falls of the Ohio Sun Circle Celebration

June 21, 2003 Turkey Run State Park

Blast from the Past Festival

June 21, 2003

Mounds State Park Make a Home for Toads Workshop \$5/person fee

June 21-22, 2003

Ouabache State Park Rendezvous on the Ouabache

June 22-28, 2003

Pokagon, Chain O'Lakes, J.Edward Roush Lake, Ouabache TRIRI

June 25, 2003

Pokagon State Park Fort Wayne Philharmonic June 28, 2003

Brown County State Park INSECTology Day \$1/person fee

June 28, 2003

Potato Creek SP Beach Fireworks, 9:00 p.m.

June 29, 2003

Cagles Mill Lake (Lieber SRA) Annual Antique Tractor Show

July 2, 2003

Ouabache State Park Fort Wayne Philharmonic

July 4, 2003

Spring Mill State Park Independence Day Celebration

July 5, 2003

Pokagon State Park Fireworks

July 5, 2003

C.M. Harden Lake (Raccoon) Fireworks

July 5, 2003

Versailles State Park Fireworks

July 11-13, 2003

Monroe Lake Heritage Festival

July 12, 2003

Clifty Falls State Park Brough's Railroad Route 150th Anniversary Observance

July 12, 2003

McCormick's Creek State Park **Bloomington Community** Band Evening Concert

July 12, 2003

Indiana Dunes State Park Sand Sculpture Contest

July 12, 2003

McCormick's Creek State Park Interpretive Services 80th Anniversary Celebration

July 12-13, 2003

Mansfield Mill Woodworkers' Weekend

July 19, 2003 Brown County State Park Interpretive Services 80th

Anniversary Celebration July 19, 2003

Spring Mill State Park Stonebelt Stargazers Starwatching

July 19-20, 2003

Spring Mill State Park Virgil I. "Gus" Grissom Days

July 26, 2003

Cagles Mill Lake (Lieber SRA) Horseshoe Tournament

July 26, 2003 Spring Mill State Park Living History Village Stroll

August 1, 2003 Falls of the Ohio State Park Canoe "Hike"

August 2, 2003

McCormick's Creek State Park Wild About Wildlife Day

August 2, 2003

Brown County State Park Smokey Bear's 59th Birthday MC Axe and the Fire Crew

August 2, 2003

C.M. Harden Lake (Raccoon) Youth Bicycle Parade

August 2-3, 2003

Spring Mill State Park Pioneer Heritage Days

August 9, 2003

Pokagon State Park All-Night Star Spectacular

August 9-10, 2003 Mansfield Mill Watermelon Festival

August 10, 2003

Indiana State Fair Grounds Smokey Bear's Birthday Cagles Mill Lake staff

August 15, 2003

Falls of the Ohio State Park Canoe "Hike"

August 16, 2003

Spring Mill State Park Living History Village Stroll

August 23, 2003

Spring Mill State Park Stonebelt Stargazers Starwatching

August 23, 2003 Ft. Harrison State Park Indiana Race Series (Cycling)

August 30, 2003 Cagles Mill Lake (Lieber SRA)

Fireworks

September 5-7, 2003 Mounds State Park

Antique Tractor Show September 6, 2003 Falls of the Ohio

Archaeology Day September 6, 2003

Spring Mill State Park Archaeology Road Show September 7, 2003

Mansfield Mill National Milling Day

September 9-11, 2003 Salamonie Reservoir Seniors' Camping Getaway

\$1/person, pre-regis. preferred

September 14, 2003 McCormick's Creek State Park

Archaeology Day September 13-14, 2003 Mansfield Mill

Cornbread Festival September 14-19, 2003

Clifty Falls, Spring Mill and Brown County State Parks September Escapade Bike Ride

September 20, 2003

Brown County State Park Volunteer Trails Projects

September 20, 2003 Fort Harrison State Park Archaeology Day

September 20, 2003 Spring Mill Pioneer Village Tri Kappa Candlelight Tour

September 20-21, 2003 Lincoln State Park Jonesboro Muster: Civil War Living History Encampment \$2/person per day fee

September 20-21, 2003 Harmonie State Park New Harmonie Kunstfest

September 20-21, 2003 *Falls of the Ohio State Park*Falls Fossil Festival

September 20-21, 2003 Hardy Lake Hunter Education

September 23, 2003
Patoka Reservoir
Wheelin' in the Fish
Patoka & SICIL (Southern
Indiana Center for Independent
Living) "Fishing Derby"

September 26-28, 2003 Mounds State Park Archaeology Weekend

September 27, 2003 Clifty Falls State Park 5K Run/Walk Fee required

September 27, 2003 Various properties National Public Lands Day/ Environmental Good Turn Day

September 27, 2003Pokagon State Park
Autumn Harvest Hoedown

September 27, 2003 *Pokagon State Park*Archaeology Day

October 3-5, 2003 Mississinewa Lake Autumn Camping Weekend \$1/person program fee

Hardy Lake
Lake Raptor Days
October 4-5, 2003

October 3-5, 2003

Versailles State Park Bluegrass Festival \$5/person fee

October 10-12, 2003 Mississinewa Lake Mississinewa 1812 \$4 in advance / \$6 at gate

October 10-19, 2003 Mansfield Mill Covered Bridge Festival

October 11, 2003 Spring Mill State Park Campsite Decorating Contest

October 11-12, 2003 Spring Mill State Park Autumn Harvest Days October 18, 2003
Spring Mill State Park
Stonebelt Stargazers Starwatching

October 17-18, 2003 Patoka Reservoir Fall Get-Away Weekend

October 17-19, 2003 Indiana Dunes State Park NW Indiana Storytelling Fest

October 18-19, 2003 Indiana Dunes State Park Kid's Fall Funfest

October 18, 2003 McCormick's Creek State Park Photography Workshop (\$5/person, register by Oct. 4)

October 18-19, 2003 Spring Mill State Park Haunted Village Weekend Fee for Saturday evening Haunted Village Tour

October 24-26, 2003

Falls of the Ohio State Park
Lewis & Clark River Festival
National Lewis and Clark Trail
Signature Event

October 25, 2003 Ft. Harrison State Park Fall Heritage Festival \$1/ person fee

October 25, 2003 Brown County State Park Fall Extravaganza

October 25-26, 2003 Spring Mill State Park Fall Family Weekend

October 25-26, 2003 Harmonie State Park Haunted Harmonie \$1/person fee

October 24-26, 2003 C. M. Harden Lake (Raccoon) Halloween Camping Weekend \$1/person for pumpkin carving

October 25, 2003 C.M. Harden Lake (Raccoon) Trapper Education Classes

October 25, 2003 Pokagon State Park Ghost Stories and Other Tales

November 2, 2003 McCormick's Creek State Park Pioneer Crafts Workshop \$5/person, register by Oct. 24

November 2, 2003 Mounds State Park "Run the Mounds" Race

November 8, 2003 Spring Mill State Park Inn Craft Show

December 5-7, 2003 *Mansfield Mill*Christmas Festival

December 5-6, 2003Spring Mill State Park
Holiday in the Village

EIGHTY YEARS OF GREAT MEMORIES!

Interpretive naturalists provide programs that have been a source of pride for the Indiana Department of Natural Resources since 1923. These friendly, helpful professionals don't translate a foreign language; their job is to introduce you to the fascinating stories of each property you visit. They can take you on a hike through the woods, point out constellations in the night sky, explain why leaves change

color and answer your questions about poisonous snakes. They are naturalists, botanists, zoologists, geologists, astronomers, historians and recreation enthusiasts. With live animals, slide shows, guided tours, crafts, games and stories, interpretive naturalists provide fun and educational experiences that can enhance your visit and make memories with your family that last a lifetime.

INTERPRETIVE SERVICES: EVERYONE BENEFITS!

Each time you visit one of our park or reservoir properties, you benefit from the skills and enthusiasm of our interpreters. These full time and seasonal professionals keep the bulletin boards up-to-date so you have accurate information about the property. They make connections with local Convention and Visitors' Bureaus to help you find and enjoy attractions and services in communities near our properties. They edit text and trail information on those vital property maps you use. They help prepare gate attendants and other front-line staff to answer the common questions you ask about the history, plants and animals of the property. They provide you with great brochures about things you'll see as you hike trails, picnic or camp.

Interpretive Centers Open Doors to Our Properties

Our interpretive centers (nature centers and cultural sites) allow you to discover the unique features of each property at your own pace through hands-on exhibits, living history and staff/guest demonstrations. Historic buildings and artifacts, comfortable chairs for viewing wildlife and knowledgeable staff and volunteers make our centers a must-see experience.

Keep us strong for the future . . .

CELEBRATE 80 YEARS OF INTERPRETATION WITH US

Support the Interpretive Services with your time or your gift of money or materials.

- Financial Contributions/Donations. You can contribute to the support of the Interpretive Services, either division-wide or at an individual property. Contributions should be directed to the Interpretive Services, care of the Chief Interpreter, Division of State Parks and Reservoirs, 402 W. Washington, Room W298. Designate your favorite property if appropriate. Contributions are tax deductible and acknowledgement can be provided if requested.
- Materials. Each full time interpreter maintains a "wish list" of supplies that are needed for programs and exhibits. These supplies may range from birdseed to laptop computers! Check with your favorite property to see how you can help!
- **Volunteers.** There are many opportunities for helping out at our interpretive centers. We welcome individuals who can work regularly as center hosts/greeters, animal caregivers (cleaning/feeding), field volunteers completing resource inventory/identification or technicians in computer data entry.

December 6, 2003

Brown County State Park
Reindeer Romp 5K Road Race

December 13, 2003

McCormick's Creek State Park

Holiday Heritage Interpretive

Center Open House

December 20, 2003Brown County State Park
Christmas Bird Count

December 27, 2003Clifty Falls State Park
Christmas Bird Count
Fee required

December 27, 2003

J. E. Roush Lake (Huntington)
The HUFF, 7th Annual 50K
Trail Run/UltraMarathon